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Roger Federer of Switzerland holds the trophy after defeating Andy Roddick of U.S. in their men's final match on the Centre Court at Wimbledon, Sunday, July 5, 2009.

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Bad weather didn't stop the Beach Party!

Winds drop to low for Aruba Hi-Winds



MOOMBA BEACH - Aruba is currently celebrating the 23rd anniversary of the annual Aruba Hi-Winds, the largest amateur windsurfing event in the Caribbean. The event, will close today as it is taking place July 1 - 6, 2009 at the Fisherman's Huts and Boca Grandi on the east side of the island, features exciting windsurfing and kite boarding competitions for visitors of all ages. Aruba, famous for its year-round trade winds and calm seas, makes the island nation the perfect location for this series of events that attract professionals and amateurs alike.

The Hi-Winds competition includes races for windsurfing and kite boarding. Categories featured are long distance, course racing, slalom and freestyle for windsurfing; and course racing and freestyle for kite boarding. Each category is open for men, women, masters, juniors and kids.



In addition to enjoying the competitions during the day, the Hi-Winds organizing committee has put together

fun festivities to entertain all participants and guests in the evenings.

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Italian Prosecco flows freely at De Suikertuin's Prosecco Night



ORANJESTAD - Prosecco, a fresh, sparkling wine from Italy, flowed more than a little bit freely at De Suikertuin's first Happy Hour last Friday. Owner Gaston Verlaan of the new breakfast-

and lunch restaurant in the Wilhelminastraat kept pouring and pouring while Cuba-born musicians Ramon and son played the stars from the sky. The backyard garden was packed with Suikertuin

guests who know how to live life to the fullest. They were enjoying the music, the company and the lovely dinner that followed. The fish skewer with creamy potatoes and salad was truly delicious.

At nine o'clock, however, a squall caused a downpour and an island-wide black-out made a sudden end to the wonderful

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Winds from a top race to a fun, amateur event appealing to all kinds of audiences. In recent years, Freestyle Windsurfing was added to the program and freestylers now compete for the coveted crown of "King of the Huts." The event's latest addition to the program



is kite boarding, which has turned the competition into an immediate success with all audiences.

To view a full event schedule, entry fees and competition requirements for Hi-Winds, please visit www.hiwinds-aruba.com. For more information on travel to Aruba, please visit www.aruba.com.

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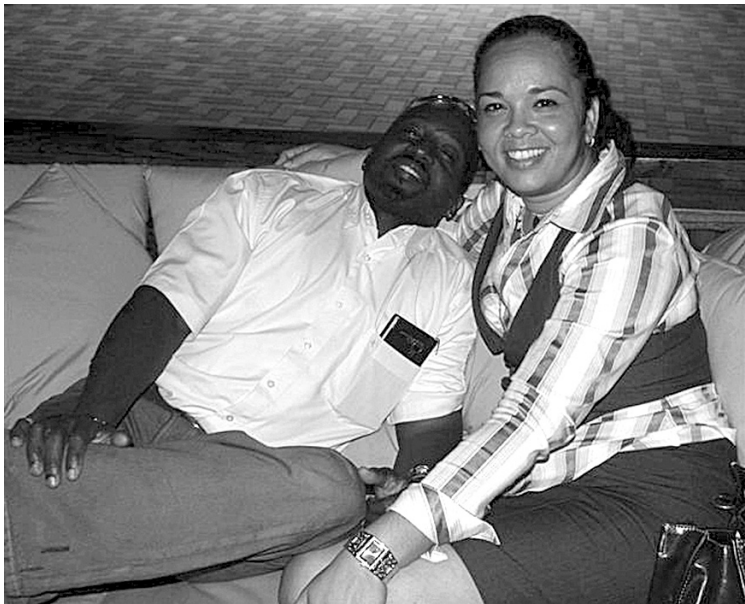
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South Beach Lounge offers chic outdoor



PALM BEACH -- An evening stroll through the Palm Beach high-rise hotel area reveals significant changes over the past five years, as any regular island visitor may observe.

Friday, July 3rd, witnessed a welcome and refreshing addition to the South Beach Centre, across from the Radisson Aruba Resort Casino & Spa, with the opening of the

South Beach Lounge, by the same group soon to bring you the adjacent House of Japan. This charming open air lounge was conceived with the thought of utilizing some of Aruba's greatest assets; the gentle trade-winds and a breathtaking night sky. Both contributed to a unique island ambiance of this gathering place with a trendy South Beach, Miami, feel. Cozy dining tables and comfy couches allow patrons to linger over a variety of island concoctions or their favorite exotic martini while enjoying a selection of tapas, which delectably compliment the setting and cocktail menu. Local entrepreneur Kanaan



Broud, who developed the concept bar reports that sushi and other oriental specialties can also be ordered from the House of Japan when it opens. All dishes may be enjoyed in the al fresco terrace of the South Beach Lounge. For those who need to stay informed flat screen plasma TVs will carry the hottest sporting events, and major

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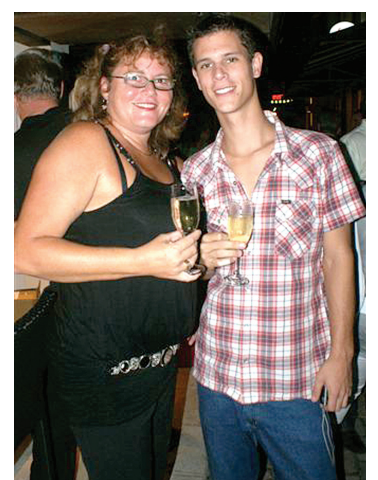
games and competitions will also be projected on the main wall of the courtyard, making it the ideal place to relax, snack, and keep up with favorite teams.

Further enhancing the menu of activities, concerts and other private subscription broadcasts, planned in the future as centerpieces for exclusive evening programs. Baroud proudly welcomed island media and local glitterati to his delightful new hotspot, on Friday, for the soft-opening party where invitees enjoyed bottomless flutes of French champagne and special hors d'oeuvres, served under the watchful eye of the beautiful Fatima Baroud.

Guests socialized and munched on delicious coconut shrimp, kibbe & humus, gourmet sushi, and mini grilled kebabs mixing middle-eastern and far-eastern nibbles with great enthusiasm.

South Beach Lounge was warmly welcomed to the neighborhood and even the downpour could not put a damper on the festivities, as guests wanted to linger on at the bar, forever.

South Beach Lounge opens daily at 4:00 p.m. till midnight, Mondays through Fridays, and till the wee hours on weekends. Refresh at the bar after work, or following a long day at the beach, then stroll along Palm Beach's busy strip, or shop at the South Beach Centre boutiques, come back for a bite or delicious dinner, and watch the world go by. South Beach Lounge offers a front row seat! □



Ace Agents enjoy a swanky party at Pure Beach



PALM BEACH — Divi Aruba Phoenix Beach Resort received the Ace Agents with open arms at Pure Beach, the resort's newest lounge bar & restaurant. The Ace Agents, the Aruba Certified Experts were on the island for a weekend of activities, experiencing the



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with tropical flair and savored to the tunes of Reflection, the fantastic band entertaining the fiesta under the stars.

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Marigot & Russel host a rehearsal dinner at Mulligan's



EAGLE BEACH – The soon to become Mr. & Mrs. Miller from Baltimore, USA, entertained 43 wedding guests all staying at the elegant Divi Links Villas, for a tropical rehearsal dinner at Mulligan's Golf Café Bar & Restaurant, entertained by the Ivan Janssen trio.

The lovebirds heard wonderful stories about the island from their Aruban friend Ashiko Martinus, who now lives in the USA, and decided to opt for Aruba as their wedding destination! The morning after the rehearsal dinner they first tied the knot at a civil ceremony in downtown's town hall, and later in the evening enjoyed an chic affair at their resort's infinity pool. Blessed during the rehearsal dinner by the father of the bride, and showered with love and affection, the new Mr. & Mrs. Miller report they too are in love with Aruba. □



Economic zones BES islands to become customs depots

THE HAGUE--The economic zones on Bonaire, St. Eustatius, and Saba will cease to exist when the islands become 'public entities' of the Netherlands. The zones will become customs entrepôts, bonded warehouses.

Dutch State Secretary of Kingdom Relations Ank Bijleveld-Schouten made the announcement during a meeting with members of Parliament's Permanent Committee of Antillean and Aruban Affairs NAAZ Wednesday.

In a letter which she sent to Parliament on Tuesday, Bijleveld-Schouten confirmed that the current economic zone arrangement will be transformed into an arrangement which will bear similarities to the existing facilities regarding customs entrepôts. "The name economic zone will not befit anymore," she stated in the letter.

Companies that will be allowed to make use of the arrangement, after permission from the inspector, in principle, will not have to pay indirect taxes on imported commercial goods stored and processed at the depots or on the export of these goods to customers outside the BES islands of Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba. According to Bijleveld-Schouten, this

"relatively simple" system will make it possible for commercial goods that are not destined for local trade on Bonaire, Saba, and St. Eustatius to be exempted from indirect taxes. This system was not unusual internationally and within the European Union, said the State Secretary.

The objective of this arrangement will be to keep Bonaire, Saba, and St. Eustatius attractive for internationally-operating trade and services companies. "Attracting these companies, which otherwise would not have settled on the islands, doesn't only lead to more direct and indirect tax revenues. These companies also contribute to a sustainable development by creating employment and realising infrastructural improvements."

The companies will have to comply with a number of conditions. They must not be involved in financial services and must offer full-time employment to at least three local persons. There will be minimum conditions regarding the start-up investment and the yearly turnover.

The companies will have to pay direct taxes such as wage tax and corporation tax, Bijleveld-Schouten assured Parliament during Wednesday's meeting. She contradicted statements by Member

of Parliament (MP) Ronald van Raak of the Socialist Party (SP) that taxes of companies operating at the depots would be reduced to zero per cent. She denied that the new arrangement was a "technical trick."

Van Raak was upset about Bijleveld-Schouten's letter. "That letter doesn't make me happy. These companies already pay so little tax," he said, mentioning the oil transshipment companies on Bonaire and St. Eustatius, and the offices that exploit porn sites, cheap travel tickets sites, and gambling sites.

Van Raak was critical about the name change from economic zone to customs depots. "It is just like calling a pig a cow. We shout very loudly that that is a cow. But it is still a pig," he said. He called the State Secretary's letter a "nonsense story."

In her letter, Bijleveld-Schouten announced that the future fiscal regime for Bonaire, Saba, and St. Eustatius was being developed. Relating legislation proposals should go to the Second Chamber this summer.

The new fiscal regime includes the facilities of customs entrepôts. □

Caribbean Development Fund to help implement single market and economy

Chief executive officer (CEO) of the Caribbean Development Fund (CDF), Ambassador Lorne McDonnough, says the CDF is expected to cushion any shocks faced by smaller and more vulnerable economies and sectors within the Caribbean Community (Caricom), with the establishment of the Caricom Single Market and Economy (CSME).

His comments came following a meeting on Monday with legal counsel of CDF, Arden Warne, to brief Guyana's President Bharrat Jagdeo on the operations of the fund.

Jagdeo will be assuming the chairmanship of Caricom later this month.

After the meeting, McDonnough explained that contrary to media

reports the CDF is not ready to begin the implementation of projects.

"We spent this month (June) conducting needs assessment around the Caribbean, while the Fund can lead on a few projects, the onus will be on parties from the various Caricom countries to put forward requests for funding," McDonnough explained. He intimated that the CDF will begin accepting these

requests from the end of July.

McDonnough assumed his post on November 1, 2008 at the CDF Headquarters in Bridgetown, Barbados, and is responsible for the overall administration, co-ordination of activities and programmes of the fund. McDonnough demitted office as Under-Secretary for Trade in the Jamaican Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, where

he was the senior official responsible for Jamaica's trade negotiations.

The new CEO has had a distinguished career in the Jamaican Foreign Service, serving in Caricom and this hemisphere in a number of capacities over the past 23 years. He was Jamaica's High Commissioner to Trinidad and Tobago and the Eastern Caribbean, as well as Ambassador to Suriname, and Consul General to the Netherlands

Antilles, and Permanent Representative to the Association of Caribbean States (ACS).

Prior to his service as Jamaica's envoy in the Eastern Caribbean, McDonnough was the Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission in the Secretariat of the Organization of American States (OAS) and later the first director of the OAS Tourism Unit. □

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CONCACAF (Confederation of North, Central American and Caribbean Association Football)

Written by Martin Banks

CONCACAF stands for (take a deep breath) the Confederation of North, Central American and Caribbean Association Football and is the body that governs the national and club football of North America, Central America, the Caribbean islands and also includes 3 South American nations; Guyana, Suriname and French Guiana.

There are 40 member nations of CONCACAF, though 80-90% of the geographical area is taken up by just two nations (USA and Canada), with Mexico being the only other sizable nation in the federation. Five of the members of CONCACAF are not eligible to take part in FIFA competitions (primarily the World Cup), these being; Sint Maarten (part of the Netherlands Antilles, off the east coast of Puerto Rico), French Guyana (an overseas region of France on the north coast of South America), Guadeloupe (another French region, an archipelago south east of Cuba), Martinique (another French region, south of Guadeloupe) and Saint-Martin (the French half of the island that Sint Maarten is also part of).

The federation came to be in Mexico City back in 1961, when the Football Confederation of Central America and the Caribbean (CCCF) and the North American Football Confederation (NAFC) merged into one confederation.

CONCACAF nations have hosted the FIFA World Cup 3 times to date; Mexico 70, Mexico 86 and USA 94 and the USA is in the bidding to host the 2018 or 2022 tournament.

The president of the federation is Jack Austin Warner from Trinidad and Tobago, who is a businessman, former teacher and also the owner of the very interestingly named Joe Public FC, a club in his home nation. Controversy seems to follow the man like flies around... err... dog doodoo. He and his family were accused of selling World Cup tickets illegally and were fined \$1m, of which only a quarter of has been paid.

He also allegedly attempted to get the Scottish FA to pay cheques to him personally that were due to the Trinidad and Tobago FA. Warner is also very loose tongued and unprofessional with some of the things he says to the press, having upset Dwight Yorke, Roy Keane and the English FA amongst others with comments that should not be made in public when you hold the kind of office he does.

Competitions

Clubs:

For the clubs in this federation the competition is the CONCACAF Champions League. Up until 2008 it was known as the Champions Cup but is now looking to boost its profile with a rebranding, particularly with soccer's growing popularity in the United States and the, still largely untapped, huge

market there.

After forming CONCACAF in '61, they got straight to work and organised the new tournament to crown the champion club of the federation. It was won by CD Guadalajara of Mexico in its first instance and that set the precedent for things to come, with Mexico dominating the tournament. It has been won by a Mexican team 25 times, as well as 12 Mexican runners up.

The format of the competition changed a number of times, but generally was a knockout with 8 teams competing, 4 from North America, 3 from Central America and 1 from the Caribbean. From August 2008 the tournament changed format, with 24 teams competing, of which 16 take part in the group stage. The preliminary stage is a 2-legged aggregate score knockout between 16 teams who were lower ranked in their national leagues, reducing the field to 16 teams. Four groups of 4 teams then play each other home and away and the qualification to the quarter finals will be the top 2 teams in each group, therefore halving the number of teams remaining in the competition.

After that it is a knockout competition, again 2 legs and aggregate score determining the victor. Unlike many tournaments, the final is also 2 legs with a home and away match, rather than the usual standard of a neutral venue game with just one match.

The 24 teams reach the competition through their own domestic leagues, made up as follows;

4 teams from the US's MLS

1 Canadian team

4 Mexican teams

3 Costa Rican teams

3 Honduran teams

2 teams from El Salvador

2 teams from Guatemala

2 teams from Panama

and 3 teams from the Caribbean, who qualify via the CFU Club Championship

Nations:

The nations of CONCACAF compete in the Gold Cup, a two-yearly competition and the most successful team in its history is Mexico, but in the last 20 years the USA have seen a large amount of success, finishing in the top 3 in 9 out of 10 competitions.

The tournament began in 1963, two years after the formation of CONCACAF, and was originally called the CONCACAF Championship. The first event took place in El Salvador and the home nation finished runners up to Costa Rica. The competition ran every 2 years till 1971, when it became the qualification tournament for FIFA's World Cup and therefore every 4 years, until 1991 when the Gold Cup was formed.

Since the formation of the Gold Cup, its popularity has flourished and the tournament is now well respected, well supported and hard fought for. The USA have hosted every tournament, co-hosting with Mexico in 1993 and 2003, and both of them have won the competition 4 times each. Canada have a solitary title from the 2000 tournament which saw many shocks, the biggest of which was neither the USA nor Mexico reaching the semi-finals.

Women's football

The women's tournament in CONCACAF also doubles as the qualification for the FIFA Women's World Cup, and is now known as the CONCACAF Women's Gold Cup. It began in 1991 as the CONCACAF's Women's Championship and the first 3 tournaments ('91, '93 and '94) were all

won by the United States. In 1998, the US qualified for the World Cup automatically as hosts and therefore did not participate, allowing a new champion for the first time and it was Canada who took the honours. Canada had always been the highest placed CONCACAF team previously too, with 2 runners up medals and a 3rd placed finish in '93 when New Zealand were runners up as invited guests from outside of the federation.

In 2000 the tournament became the Gold Cup and was won by the US, as well as 2 more victories for them in 2002 and 2006.

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Investors' focus shifts to 2Q earnings reports

By SARA LEPRO,
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK — Investors, whose optimism was recently shaken by surprisingly weak economic data, are now hoping companies can provide some clues about a recovery. Wall Street's focus this week shifts from economic reports to corporate earnings announcements and forecasts for the rest of the year. After investors were rattled last week by the latest consumer and employment data, there is growing uncertainty in the market about how strong the second half of the year will be.

Aluminum maker Alcoa Inc., the first of the 30 companies that make up the Dow Jones industrials to report second-quarter results, opens earnings season on Wednesday. Hundreds of other corporations will issue their reports during the next four weeks.

"From this point on, we're going to start talking a lot more about how the second quarter was and that is going to be the biggest market driver," said Scott Colyer, chief executive of Advisors Asset Management in Monument, Colo. "What we want to see is continued recovery."

Investor optimism has been tested by an increasing number of economic reports that show the recession is still taking a toll on businesses and consumers. Two of the biggest disappointments came last week, when the Conference Board said consumer confidence sagged last month, and the Labor Department reported that employers cut more jobs than expected.

The reports have investors questioning whether the market's spring rally — in which the Standard & Poor's 500 index soared nearly 40 percent from 12-year lows in three months — was justified. That rally was driven by a string of not-so-bad data and the belief that the economy's slide was slowing. Now investors are worried the economy's recovery won't be as quick and strong as hoped.

The S&P 500 has fallen 5.3 percent since mid-June, while the Dow has dropped 5.9 percent and the Nasdaq composite index is down 3.4 percent.

Still, the market had a stunning second quarter. All the major indexes finished the period with double-digit percentage gains, and the S&P 500 index had its best quarter in more than 10 years. It also was the first time the Dow and the S&P 500 logged quarterly gains since the third quarter of 2007.

Some analysts believe the problem in the market may not be the health of the economy as much as investors' expectations.

"This economy is starting to stabilize," said Burt White, chief investment officer at LPL Financial in Boston. "The market is looking for companies to do the same thing."

By selling stocks down last week — the Dow finished down 1.9 percent, the S&P 500 lost 2.5 percent and the Nasdaq fell 2.3 percent — investors may have signaled that they're now more pessimistic about companies' reports. But they may be still be more optimistic than earnings data and outlooks will justify.

"This is going to be a very challenging earnings season," said Jill Evans, co-portfolio manager of the Alpine Dynamic Dividend Fund. □

As retailers cut back cities confront 'ghostboxes'

By JAMES MacPHERSON,
Associated Press Writer

BISMARCK, N.D. — Hundreds of anxious shoppers watched as city officials used power saws to cut 2-by-4s during Home Depot Inc.'s ribbon-cutting ceremony for its 102,700-square-foot building center in Bismarck. Less than three years later, the home improvement retailer shuttered the underperforming store, leaving a big orange empty eyesore on the outskirts of town.

The building, sitting derelict and silent on acres of asphalt, is now listed for sale at \$10.5 million.

But there's been little interest in the near windowless warehouse-like building that occupies a lot the size of a dozen football fields.

For potential tenants "it's a hard pitch because for most uses it seems to be a bit of a tough fit," said Brian Ritter, business development director of the Bismarck-Mandan Development Association.

As the recession takes its toll on big-box retailers, more communities across the country are having to confront not just the eyesore of giant empty stores, but also the loss of jobs and tax revenue that follow.

Many are trying to find creative uses for those near windowless monoliths. In Minnesota, one became a Spam Museum. In Texas, an indoor go-cart track. In Illinois, a church moved into an empty Wal-Mart. The new tenants, however, often generate less revenue for local governments.

And with the recent spate of bankruptcies and store closures, including Circuit City and Linens 'N Things, more abandoned buildings will be added to a struggling commercial real estate market. There are already hundreds of



A customer enters a Home Depot store in Toronto March 5, 2009.
REUTERS/Mike Cassese

empty "ghostboxes" around the country.

"There is not a landfill on earth able to handle all the big boxes that we have sitting empty," says Julia Christensen, author of the book "Big Box Reuse," who has been studying the trend since 2002.

Some have been transformed into museums, community centers, hospitals or schools. Future tenants, however, can be restricted by the former retail chain.

"Often, they sign leases that prohibit competitors from moving in there, so they're willing to pay on an empty building for a long time," said Christensen, also a visiting professor at Oberlin College in Ohio.

The International Council of Shopping Centers said 6,913 retail stores — of all types — announced closures last year, compared with 4,603 in 2007. Excess Space Retail of Lake Success, N.Y., specializes in real estate disposition and lease restructuring for retailers, including Home Depot, Wal-Mart, JC Penny and Kmart. The company has seen a more than 30 percent jump in the number of empty retail locations in the past year, he said.

"We are handing in excess of

2,000 locations for some 50-odd retailers, said Michael Burden, a principal with Excess Space Retail. "The square footage is in the tens of millions."

Home Depot, for example, closed 15 underperforming stores last year, and 41 its smaller home improvement brands, including Expo Design Centers and YardBIRDS.

"The goal is to sell or lease the property as quickly as possible," said Ron DeFeo, a spokesman for the Atlanta-based Home Depot. "The last thing we want is to see an empty store in a community — it's a difficult enough decision to close a store in the community."

In Frankfort, Ky., an empty Home Depot is adjacent to a sign welcoming visitors to the city.

Focusing on the positive, Phil Kerrick, economic development director for the city and Franklin County, says, "It's a great building, in good shape and in a good location."

Frankfort, Kentucky's capital city, has dealt with vacant big box space before, when Lowe's Cos. moved into a bigger box in town. The building was converted to a state office building. □

1.6M Jackson fans learn who won memorial tickets



Ida Jackson sits in front of a makeshift memorial for pop star Michael Jackson outside the Jackson family home in the Encino section of Los Angeles, Sunday, July 5, 2009.

By DAISY NGUYEN, Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES — Who's getting the tickets?

Like a modern-day Willy Wonka tale, more than 1.6 million fans waited to learn Sunday whether they were among the lucky few to win access to Michael Jackson's memorial service at Staples Center on Tuesday. Fans registered online for free in the random drawing of only 8,750 names. Each person selected will receive two tickets.

Ticket winners were in the process of being notified Sunday afternoon, according to Michael Roth, a spokesman for Staples Center owner AEG Live.

The odds of getting a ticket were about 1 in 183.

The tickets will admit 11,000 people to the Staples Center plus 6,500 in the Nokia Theater overflow section next door. The streets around the stadium will be closed to prevent those without tickets from trying to attend, police said Sunday.

The 50-year-old Jackson died June 25 after going into cardiac arrest in the bedroom of his rented mansion. The cause of Jackson's death has not been determined. Autopsy results are not expected for several weeks.

Jackson's family was planning a private ceremony at the Forest Lawn cemetery in the Hollywood Hills, LAPD Assistant Chief Jim McDonnell said. He did not provide further details.

(AP Photo/Jae C. Hong)

More than a week after his death, tributes and accolades keep coming. Madonna had a Jackson impersonator dance to "Wanna Be Starting Something" at her concert Saturday in the same London arena where he was to stage his comeback.

Colin Powell said in an interview aired Sunday that Jackson had controversy in his life, but in death his art should be celebrated.

"Yes, there were some challenges in his life," the former secretary of state told CNN's "State of the Union." "Yes, there was a great deal of controversy about him. But he's now passed on. Let's celebrate his art."

The memorial service will be broadcast on five television networks, after NBC executives changed their minds Sunday and decided to air the service live. NBC joins ABC, CNN, MSNBC and E! Entertainment.

Before the ticket drawing, officials of AEG, the owner and operator of the Staples Center, will "scrub" the entries to eliminate duplicates and any suspected of being made by automated systems, Jackson family spokesman Ken Sunshine said in a statement. Winners received a unique code and instructions on how to pick up their tickets Monday at an off-site distribution center.

When they pick up their tickets, a wristband will be placed on their wrists.

To prevent ticket scalping,

fans must have both the ticket and the wristband to enter Staples Center on Tuesday. Wristbands that have been ripped, taped or tampered with will be voided.

City officials are preparing for huge crowds. Assistant Police Chief Jim McDonnell would not say how many police would be on the job, but alluded to the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics and the recent championship celebration for the Los Angeles Lakers at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum. The ceremony will not be shown on Staples' giant outdoor TV screen and there will be no funeral procession through the city.

No details were given about the actual memorial events. □

Harry Potter Star Recovering from Swine Flu



Brandi Fowler
Los Angeles (E! Online) — Not all the magic in Hogwarts could save Rupert Grint from catching the dreaded swine flu. The Harry Potter star who

plays Harry's best friend Ron Weasley in the film series is recovering from a mild case of the illness, according to the BBC.

But Grint's doctor confirmed that the 20-year-old thesp was no longer contagious, and the wizard-in-training's publicist says the actor is back at work on the set of Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows—the film based on the last book in J.K. Rowling's popular fantasy series.

The next edition in the film series, Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince, hits theaters July 15. □

"Ice Age" sequel heats up worldwide box office



Actor Ray Romano, who gives his voice to Manny in the animated movie "Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs" poses for a portrait in Marina del Rey, California in this June 8, 2009 file photo. The movie grossed a cool \$13.8 million in North American theaters on Wednesday, marking Hollywood's biggest mid-week opening for an animated film.

LOS ANGELES (Reuters) — In a rare tie, reigning champ "Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen" and the new cartoon "Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs" shared the top spot at the holiday weekend box office in North America.

According to studio estimates issued Sunday, the movies each sold about \$42.5 million worth of tickets during the three-day U.S. Independence Day holiday weekend.

But "Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs," the third movie in 20th Century Fox's family franchise, was clearly the top

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pick on a worldwide basis. It earned \$148 million from 101 foreign markets, which the News Corp.-owned studio said was the sixth-biggest opening overall.

Including its North American tally of \$67.5 million since opening Wednesday, the global total stands at \$215.5 million.

Paramount's "Transformers" sequel earned \$55 million from 62 markets during its second weekend, taking the foreign haul to \$298 million. The global total stands at \$591 million, taking the

robot sequel past Columbia Pictures' "Angels & Demons" (\$474 million) to become the biggest film of the year.

In North America, the lucrative summer season is 5 percent ahead of last year's record-setting haul in terms of ticket sales with \$2.3 billion banked so far, said industry analyst Paul Dergarabedian, president of Hollywood.com Box-Office. But he doubted the number of tickets sold (currently 319 million) would exceed the modern record of 653 million set in 2002.

He said it appeared to be unprecedented for two films to be tied, but noted that an eventual victor will be determined on Monday, when the studios release their final data. Johnny Depp's gangster saga "Public Enemies" got off to a strong start at No. 3 with \$26.2 million, a rare adult-oriented drama in a summer field dominated by effects-driven action movies. As with "Ice Age," Universal Pictures' \$100 million release opened Wednesday to get a foothold ahead of holiday distractions. Its five-day total stands at \$41 million.

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A monorail that was parked and idle, rests on the track outside the EPCOT theme park at Walt Disney World in Lake Buena Vista, Fla., Sunday, July 5, 2009. The park's monorail transit system was shut down after two monorail trains crashed early Sunday morning killing one train's operator, emergency officials said.

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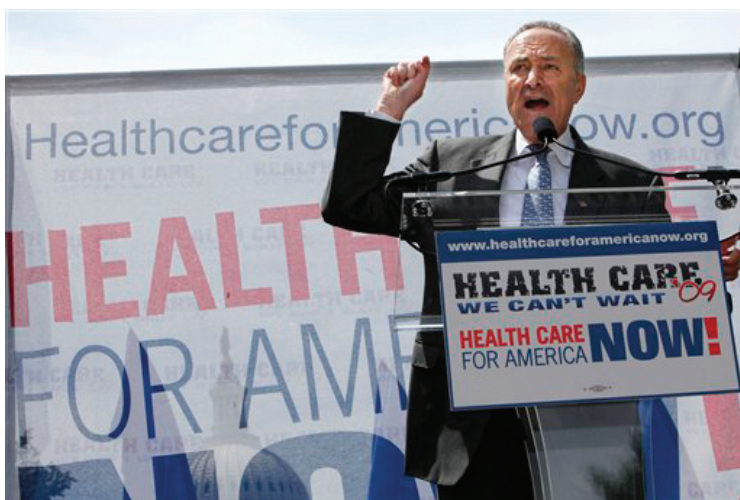
Senators say compromise key to health care bill

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WASHINGTON (AP) — It will take a compromise on a government option for insurance if the Senate is to agree on a health care overall before next month's break, two senators said Sunday. President Barack Obama is pushing for an Aug. 8 deadline for the Senate and House to vote on proposals that would reduce medical costs and provide coverage for the nearly 50 million of Americans who are uninsured. Obama says he wants to sign a bill by October.

"We'll get this done because we're doing it in a bipartisan way," said Sen. Chuck Grassley the top Republican on the Senate Finance Committee. "If we can reach a compromise, we can get this done by Aug. 8 or at least get it out of committee by Aug. 8." Democratic Sen. Chuck Schumer also a committee



Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y. address a health care reform rally near Capitol Hill in Washington, Thursday, June 25, 2009.

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member, said compromise is possible but that senators can't "take things off the table altogether," a reference to the Democrats' desire to include a government insurance option. That is a sticking point for Republicans. They see a public or government insurance plan as unfair to the private insurance industry and the first step to nationalized health care. Obama and most

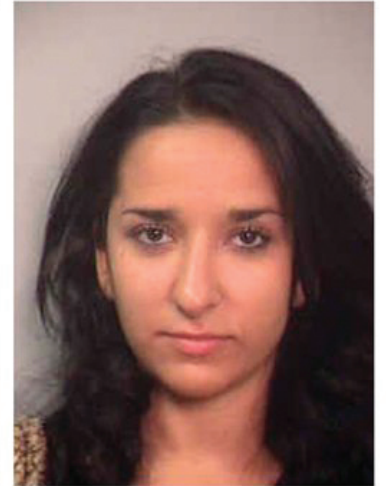
fellow Democrats argue that a government plan would keep costs down and give consumers another option. Grassley also warned that requiring companies with 25 or more employees to provide insurance or pay a fine — another proposal favored by most Democrats — would hurt small businesses and put many of them out of business.

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Police rule McNair's death a homicide



Steve McNair



Sahel Kazemi

This combo shows Steve McNair, left, in a 2003 season file photo and Sahel Kazemi is shown in this undated booking photo from the Davidson County Sheriff. McNair, who led the famous Tennessee Titans' drive that came a yard short of forcing overtime in the 2000 Super Bowl, was found dead Saturday July 4, 2009 with multiple gunshot wounds, including one to the head. Police said a pistol was discovered near the body of a woman, identified by Nashville police spokesman Don Aaron, as 20-year-old Sahel Kazemi also shot dead in a downtown condominium. She had a single gunshot wound to the head.

Associated Press

TERESA M. WALKER

Associated Press Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Former American football player Steve McNair's shooting death was a homicide, police said Sunday, but authorities stopped short of saying it was a murder-suicide committed by the 20-year-old girlfriend found dead by his side.

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In this image released by presidential press service on Thursday, July 2, 2009, Russian President Dmitry Medvedev gestures as he records a video for his internet site at the Gorki presidential residence outside Moscow on June 30. Russia's president said in new video released Thursday that he's hopeful that the upcoming summit with Barack Obama will help Moscow and Washington find new ways to cooperate.

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Obama seeks new start in sagging U.S.-Russia ties

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In this photograph provided by "FOX News Sunday", Rep. Steny Hoyer, D-Md. left, and Rep. John Boehner, R-Ohio, appear on "FOX News Sunday" at the FOX studios in Washington Sunday, July 5, 2009.

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But he said the proposal for a government-run insurance program is the greater obstacle. Schumer said that while he supports a public option he also is open to discussing the use of nonprofit insurance cooperatives as competitors to established insurance companies. "I am not saying that the public option should be the only option. There are some who do say that, particularly in my party. But we shouldn't say there should be no public option," he said. On the possibility of cooperatives as an option, Grassley said: "If they're within what we have known of cooperatives and the concept of cooperation for the last 150 years, I think we can reach a favorable compromise,

and then enhance competition and enhance it in the private sector." Ohio Rep. John Boehner, the House Republican leader, said the public option and the employer mandate were "deal-breakers" for his colleagues. The Democratic approach to mandating health insurance through employer and individual mandates will "lead to higher costs, rationing, and lower quality health care delivery," Boehner said. House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer compared requiring all Americans to have health insurance with mandating that drivers carry auto insurance. "We want everybody in the system," Hoyer said. "That will bring costs down." Grassley and Schumer appeared on CBS' "Face the Nation" while Boehner and Hoyer appeared on "Fox News Sunday." □

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Military chief advises 'measured' approach on gays

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's top military officer said Sunday he has advised President Barack Obama to move "in a measured way" in changing the "don't ask, don't tell" policy that bans gays from serving openly in the military.

Obama as a candidate pledged to end the ban. As president, he has not said when or how he will take steps to do so, drawing criticism from gay rights activists and others. The president has pointed out that Congress in 1993 made into law a policy begun by President Bill Clinton.

"It's very clear what President Obama's intent here is. He intends to see this law change," Adm. Mike Mullen, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said on CNN's "State of the Union."

"I've had conversations with him about that. What I've discussed in terms



In this photograph provided by CBS, Chairman of Joint Chiefs of Staff Adm. Mike Mullen appears on "Face the Nation" at the CBS studios in Washington Sunday, July 5, 2009.

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of the future is I think we need to move in a measured way," Mullen said.

Mullen said he has discussed with his staff what steps might be taken to implement a change in the policy.

"I haven't done any kind of extensive review. And what I feel most obligated about is to make sure I tell the president, you know, my — give the president my best advice, should this law change, on the impact on our people and their families at these very challenging times," he said.

Defense Secretary Robert Gates said last week that he has lawyers studying ways the law might be selectively enforced as part of an effort to find "a more humane way" to apply the law until it is changed. □



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MCNAIRS DEATH

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McNair, 36, was shot four times, twice in the head, by a semiautomatic pistol, Nashville police spokesman Don Aaron said. The woman, Sahel Kazemi, was killed by a single gunshot wound and the pistol was found under her body, Aaron said.

Aaron said the two had been in a "dating relationship for past several months."

Asked if the deaths could have caused by a lover's quarrel, Aaron said, "That's a very important part of the investigation as we work to ultimately classify Miss Kazemi's death."

Police said they need to do more interviews with friends of Kazemi and McNair before they rule on whether her death was a suicide, Aaron said.

McNair, a four-time Pro Bowl selection, was married with four children. He and Kazemi were found dead Saturday afternoon at a Nashville condominium he shared with a friend, and police said Sunday that it appears the two died in the early morning.

Police earlier said they weren't looking for any suspects and do not believe McNair's wife was involved. Mechelle McNair, mother of two of his four sons, was expected to collect her husband's belongings from authorities. Funeral arrangements were not expected to be finalized until Monday afternoon at the earliest.

"She's still very upset, very distraught," agent Bus Cook said.

McNair led the famous Tennessee Titans' drive that came a yard short of forcing overtime in the 2000 Super

Bowl, before the Titans traded him to the Baltimore Ravens in 2006. "On the field, there isn't a player that was as tough as him," the Ravens' Derrick Mason said.

McNair retired last year and had recently opened a restaurant in Nashville, where he shared a condo with a friend.

A man who answered the door at a house in Florida said it was the home of Kazemi's family, but said her relatives did not want to comment.

"We don't have anything to say, please leave us alone," he said.

A Nashville neighbor saw McNair, 36, at Kazemi's Nashville apartment so often — two to three times a week — that she thought McNair had moved in. McNair never tried to hide his presence but kept to himself.

Neighbor Reagan Howard said Kazemi often was dropped off in the early morning hours by a limousine and upgraded recently from her Kia to a Cadillac Escalade.

"It was pretty obvious that she was taken with him," Howard said.

McNair and Kazemi had been together just two days earlier, when she was pulled over driving a 2007 Escalade registered to her and McNair. She was arrested on a DUI charges, and he was allowed to leave in a taxi.

The bodies were discovered by McNair's longtime friend, Wayne Neeley, who rents the condo in the upscale Rutledge Hill neighborhood with McNair.

Neeley then called Robert Gaddy, who had been friends with McNair since they played at Alcorn State. Gaddy alerted

authorities.

"People have certain things that they do in life," Gaddy told The Associated Press on Sunday. "We don't need to look on the situation at this time (but) on the fact we just lost a great member of society."

Cook said he was not aware that McNair was seeing Kazemi, a woman whose name the agent learned about through reports of the shooting.

"It doesn't make any sense. I don't know what to say," Cook said.

Police said a witness saw McNair arrive at the condo early Saturday and that Kazemi's vehicle was already there. The condominium is located within walking distance of an area filled with restaurants and nightspots, a few blocks from the Cumberland River and within view of the Titans' stadium.

Fred McNair, Steve McNair's oldest brother, said some family members would likely travel to Nashville on Monday to consult with Mechelle.

"It's still kind of hard to believe," Fred McNair said. "He was the greatest person in the world. He gave back to the community. He loved kids and he wanted to be a role model to kids."

McNair and his wife split their time between Nashville and their farm in Mount Olive, Mississippi, according to a statement from the Titans.

An arrest affidavit from Thursday said Kazemi had bloodshot eyes and alcohol on her breath when she was pulled over, but refused a breathalyzer test, saying "she was not drunk, she was high." McNair and his family frequented the restaurant



Police spokesman Don Aaron answers questions about the death of former NFL quarterback Steve McNair at a news conference in Nashville, Tenn., Sunday, July 5, 2009. McNair, a former quarterback with the Houston Oilers, Tennessee Titans, and Baltimore Ravens, was found dead of gunshot wounds along with a 20-year-old woman in a Nashville condominium July 4, according to police.

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where Kazemi was a waitress, according to employees and patrons of Dave & Buster's in Nashville.

"She was reliable 90 percent of the time," manager Chris Truelove said of Kazemi. "She was pretty outgoing. A lot of the guests liked being around her, and she liked being around

the guests."

Co-worker Shantez Jobe, 33, said she was friends with Kazemi.

"We talked about who had more fashion sense, and who was the cutest, and who could get more boys, you know some of the stuff girls do," Jobe said. □

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Rove: Palin resignation part of a 'risky strategy'

PHILIP ELLIOTT

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — One of Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin's potential presidential rivals said Sunday that her abrupt resignation won't help her dodge scrutiny. President George W. Bush's chief political adviser said her strategy is, at best, unclear.

Former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee said Palin's announcement that she would not seek a second term — and leave office before finishing her first — simply doesn't make sense in a conventional political setting. Karl Rove, a longtime Bush counselor, said Palin has engaged in a "risky strategy."

Then again, the pair said, Palin has never been a conventional candidate and her stunning announcement on Friday is what they have come to expect from the Republicans' 2008 vice presidential candidate.

"She marches to the beat of her own drum, and it's going to be very interesting to see how she pulls this off," Rove said.

Palin on Friday announced she wouldn't seek re-election in 2010 and surprised fans and critics alike by saying she would leave office on July 26, more than a year before she would have finished her first term as governor.

During a sometimes rambling statement, she cited ongoing ethics complaints and the



Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin announces that she is stepping down from her position as Governor in Wasilla, Alaska on Friday July 3, 2009. The former Republican vice presidential candidate made the surprise announcement, saying she would step down July 26 but didn't announce her plans.

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financial toll they were taking on the state and her personal finances. She also blamed the media for sensational attention and attacks on her family, although she didn't offer details.

Political observers struggled to make sense of the decision and its effect on a potential 2012 campaign for the White House. Even her rival during the last election, Vice President Joe Biden, seemed confused by the move.

"It maybe had a lot to do with what the state of their life was, and the state of their family, et cetera," Biden said. "So I'm not going to second-guess her."

Last year Sen. John McCain plucked Palin from near-obscurity to be his running mate. The folksy governor remains a potent figure in Republican politics, although her resignation could make a potential 2012 campaign even more dicey. If she chooses to run, she'll enter a race with questions about her strategy as well as her experience.

Republican Sen. Chuck Grassley whose state traditionally hosts the first nominating contest of the presidential campaign, called the move "astounding."

"I would think that if you want to run for president — and I'm not sure that's got anything to do with what she's doing — that

the forum of a governorship would be a better forum than just being a private citizen," Grassley said. "I have no insight into why she did it."

Huckabee, who ran for president in 2008 and could try again, said he remains a Palin fan and insisted she continues to be a viable candidate. But she also should be prepared to explain the curious move.

"Well, it's a risky strategy, and nobody knows whether it's going to pay off or not," Huckabee said. "And even if she did get out, primarily because of a feeling of being chased, that's not going to stop if she continues in politics. The only way that stops is for her to completely exit the stage and the spotlight."

But part of her explanation for resigning — that she was dogged by critics who cost

her state millions in legal fees — will be a liability for her if she seeks the White House, Huckabee said.

"Well, if that had been the case for me, I'd have quit about my first month, because I was a Republican governor in a state where 89 percent of my legislature were Democrats," Huckabee said. "Been there, done that."

If she's looking to be a national political figure, it's not going to get easier, Huckabee said.

Besides, Rove said, Palin will not be able to escape the media's attention.

"If she thinks somehow that she's going to be able to protect her family against the kind of things that she's suffered over the last couple of months, from David Letterman and others, and seek a role of leadership for effective change for our country, as she said in her speech, she's not going to be able to do it," Rove said.

Palin recently led a public spat with "Late Show" host Letterman over a joke he made about one of her daughters.

"It is not clear what her strategy here is by exiting the governorship 2 1/2 years through the term and putting herself on the national stage that she may not yet be prepared to operate in," Rove said.

"She did a great job during 63 days during the fall campaign of 2008 ... but now she's going to have hundreds and hundreds and hundreds of days between now and the 2012 election, and she's going to raise expectations about how well and how visible she's going to be early on in that struggle," he said.

Huckabee and Rove appeared on "Fox News Sunday." Biden appeared on ABC's "This Week" while Grassley appeared on CBS' "Face the Nation." □



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Walt Disney World monorail crash kills employee

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Florida (AP) — Two monorail trains crashed early Sunday morning in the Magic Kingdom section of Walt Disney World, killing one train's operator, emergency officials said.

Disney said it was the first fatal crash in the monorail's 38-year history in the park. The transit system, which shuttles thousands of visitors around the sprawling resort each day, was shut down while authorities investigated the holiday weekend wreck. The monorail operator died at the scene of the crash, which happened at about 2 a.m. local time, said Bo Jones, deputy chief for Reedy Creek Fire Department. The other train operator was uninjured, but was taken to a hospital because he was emotionally shaken. Jones said five park guests were treated at the scene, though the Orange County Sheriff's office said six were treated.

"To see the accident, to see the scene of what had happened and the fact that there was a life that was lost, it was very sad. It was very somber," Jones said.

Disney's senior spokesman Michael Griffin identified the driver as 21-year-old Austin Wuennenberg. Griffin would not discuss how long Wuennenberg had been with Disney or the circumstances surrounding the crash. Disney officials also declined to discuss how the monorail system operates.

"They are extremely rare," Griffin said of accidents at the

park. "The safety of our guests and cast are a top priority above all else."

It is unclear what caused the crash, Jones said. Orange County Sheriff's officials are investigating.

A spokeswoman for Stetson University in nearby DeLand confirmed that Wuennenberg was a student at the school. A woman standing in front of Wuennenberg's home in Kissimmee declined to comment Sunday afternoon and directed questions to Disney officials, saying the family wanted "private time to grieve."

One of Wuennenberg's former Stetson classmates, Brandon Ross, said the 21-year-old had scheduled his classes around his Disney job and took precautions if he was working a night shift. Ross said his friend would make the hour-long drive from DeLand to the Orlando area the day

before his shift so he wouldn't be tired when he operated the train.

"He seemed to be a pretty safe person," said Ross, 22. "He's not reckless at all."

Wuennenberg studied computer science, said Ross, who sometimes asked for his help on school projects and called him smart and talented. "He was really good with computers."

Jones said the crash happened at the park's ticket and transportation center. About a dozen guards wearing blue Disney security uniforms guarded the monorail station Sunday morning and prevented visitors from approaching. Griffin would not comment on a video posted on the Web site of Orlando TV station WKMG. The clip, apparently shot by a guest at the park, shows a man pounding on the door to the driver's compartment after the crash.

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A monorail that was parked and idle, rests on the track outside the EPCOT theme park at Walt Disney World in Lake Buena Vista, Fla., Sunday, July 5, 2009. The park's monorail transit system was shut down after two monorail trains crashed early Sunday morning killing one train's operator, emergency officials said.

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"This is such a close-knit community," Griffin said. "Our hearts go out to Austin's family. It's a sad day here." Catherine McKenna, 45, and her family were visiting the theme park from Ireland. The family had planned to use the

monorail to travel to the Magic Kingdom last Friday but said they were told the train was broken. They took a ferry but returned on the monorail later that day. "It's very sad," McKenna said. "You would be very afraid to use it again." □

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MOSCOW (AP) — Presidents Barack Obama and Dmitry Medvedev end a seven-year hiatus in U.S.-Russian summitry on Monday, with each declaring

his determination to further cut nuclear arsenals and repair a badly damaged relationship. Both sides appear to want to use progress on arms control as a pathway to possible agreement on trickier issues, including

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Obama seeks new start in sagging U.S.-Russia ties

Iran and Georgia, the tiny former Soviet republic. Those difficulties and others have soured a promising linkage in the first years after the Cold War and pushed ties between Moscow and Washington to depths unseen in more than two decades.

In advance of Obama's arrival, a White House official told reporters Sunday the presidents expect to announce progress on negotiations that could lead to a treaty to replace the START I agreement, which expires Dec. 5.

More broadly, the U.S. wants to use the summit to overhaul the U.S.-Russian relationship.

"It's not, in our view, a zero-sum game, that if it's two points for Russia it's negative two for us, but there are ways that we can cooperate to advance our interests and, at the same time, do things with the Russians that are good for them as well," Obama's top assistant on Russia, Michael McFaul, said in a presummit briefing. Medvedev said in an Internet address that the two powers "need new, common, mutually beneficial projects in business, science and culture. He added, "I hope that this sincere desire to open a new chapter in Russian-American cooperation will be brought into fruition."

Two things appear certain: —The Russians have said they will agree to allow the United States to use their territory and air space to move munitions

and arms to U.S. and NATO forces fighting Taliban Islamic extremists in Afghanistan. The Kremlin announced the deal days before the summit as a sweetener for Obama.

—A directive for negotiators to work toward a START I replacement. Both sides are agreed in principle to cut warheads from more than 2,000 each to as low as 1,500 apiece. Those deals could be announced at an Obama-Medvedev news conference Monday afternoon after the leaders' scheduled four-hour meeting.

There's been an apparent hardening on both sides over a proposed U.S. missile defense shield in Eastern Europe. Those differences could stall or even preclude an agreement of strategic nuclear warheads. That could kill the hoped-for extension of those talks next year to include cuts in delivery vehicles: long-range missiles, submarines and bombers.

On Friday, Dmitry Peskov, spokesman for Vladimir Putin, the current prime minister and former president, said the Kremlin would not negotiate a replacement to START I unless Obama clarified plans for the defense system to be based in Poland and the Czech Republic.

The U.S. contends it's designed to protect U.S. allies in Europe from a potential nuclear attack by Iran. The Russians see it as a way of weakening their offensive nuclear strike

potential that is arrayed against the U.S. arsenal. Obama has been cool to the program, which former President George W. Bush pushed hard.

"The whole issue of missile defense from my perspective is focused on defense of Europe," said Adm. Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. "Obviously, the Russians see it differently. So I think we're going to have to work our way through that."

The White House said Sunday that if an agreement comes too late for Senate ratification by Dec. 5, it would look for ways to enforce some aspects on an executive level while waiting for ratification.

Obama's schedule include an hourlong meeting with Putin on Tuesday. Protocol does not demand he visit the prime minister.

"Prime Minister Putin still has a lot of sway in Russia, and I think that it's important that even as we move forward with President Medvedev, that Putin understands that the old Cold War approaches to U.S.-Russian relations is outdated, that it's time to move forward in a different direction," Obama said in an interview Thursday with The Associated Press.

Most analysts see Putin as still holding the real reins of power in Russia. Obama said in the interview, "I think Putin has one foot in the old ways of doing business and one foot in the new." □

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TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras (AP) — Ousted President Manuel Zelaya was kept from landing at the main Honduras airport Sunday because the runway was blocked by groups of soldiers with military vehicles, some of them lined up against a crowd of thousands outside. His Venezuelan pilot circled around the airport and decided not to risk a crash.

Zelaya landed in Nicaragua and vowed to try again Monday or Tuesday in his high-stakes effort to return to power in a country where all branches of government have lined up against him, including the military that shot up his house and sent him into exile in his pajamas a week earlier.

"I am the commander of the armed forces, elected by the people, and I ask the armed forces to comply with the order to open the airport so that there is no problem in landing and embracing with my people," Zelaya said from the plane. "Today I feel like I have sufficient spiritual strength, blessed with the blood of Christ, to be able to arrive there and raise the crucifix."

But interim President Roberto Micheletti insisted

on preventing the plane from landing, and said he won't negotiate until "things return to normal."

"We will be here until the country calms down," Micheletti said. "We are the authentic representatives of the people."

Micheletti also alleged that Nicaragua is moving troops to their border in an attempt at psychological intimidation, and warned them not to cross into Honduras, "because we're ready to defend our border." Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega called the allegation "totally false."

Violence broke out among the huge crowd surrounding the airport, with at least one man killed — shot in the head from inside the airport as people tried to break through a security fence, according to an Associated Press photographer at the scene. At least 30 people were treated for injuries, the Red Cross said, after security forces fired warning shots and tear gas.

When Zelaya's plane was turned away, his supporters began chanting "We want blue helmets!" — a reference to U.N. peacekeepers.

His next destination was likely to be El Salvador, where the presidents of Argentina, Paraguay and Ecuador and the secretary-general of the Organization of American

States, Jose Miguel Insulza, flew from Washington and were awaiting his arrival.

Zelaya won wide international support after his military ouster, but the presidents decided against flying on Zelaya's plane, citing security concerns. Flying with Zelaya were close advisers and staff, two journalists from the Venezuela-based network Telesur, and U.N. General Assembly President Miguel D'Escoto Brockmann, a leftist Nicaraguan priest and former foreign minister.

Honduras' new government has vowed to arrest Zelaya for 18 alleged criminal acts including treason and failing to implement more than 80 laws approved by Congress since taking office in 2006.

Despite a Supreme Court ruling, Zelaya had also pressed ahead with a referendum on whether to hold an assembly to consider changing the constitution. Critics feared he might press to extend his rule and cement presidential power in ways similar to his ally Hugo Chavez in Venezuela.

But instead of prosecuting him or trying to defeat his



Supporters of ousted Honduras' President Manuel Zelaya cheer as police officers leave their positions to allow the march to continue towards the international airport in Tegucigalpa, Sunday, July 5, 2009.

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referendum idea at the ballot box, other Honduran leaders sent masked soldiers to fly Zelaya out of the country at gunpoint, and congress installed Micheletti in his place.

The military solution prompted condemnation at the United Nations and the OAS suspended Honduras in response. Many called it a huge step back for democracy, and no nation has recognized the new government. President Barack Obama has united with Chavez and conservative

Alvaro Uribe in criticism.

Without OAS membership, the isolated interim government faces trade sanctions and the loss of hundreds of millions of dollars in subsidized oil, aid and loans.

Micheletti's vice foreign minister, Martha Lorena Alvarado, said the interim government sent the OAS a letter expressing "willingness to conduct conversations in good faith." In Washington, senior Obama administration officials took that as a positive sign. □



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Spain: Three arrested Basque suspects were armed



In this undated photo combo released by the Spanish Interior Ministry on Saturday July 4, 2009, suspected members of the Basque separatist group ETA are seen. From left to right are: Asier Borrero, Itziar Plaza and Lurgi Garitagoitia. Police say the three suspected ETA members were arrested in southwest France on Saturday in the Pau suburb of Idron.

Associated Press

HAROLD HECKLE

Associated Press Writer

MADRID (AP) — Three suspected members of the Basque separatist group ETA who were captured in France were wanted for violent acts within Spain and had been on the run from police for months, the interior minister

said Sunday.

Minister Alfredo Perez Rubalcaba named the suspects as Itziar Plaza, Lurgi Garitagoitia and Asier Borrero. All three were arrested Saturday in a joint French-Spanish police operation near the southwestern French city of Pau and were armed with

Smith & Wesson revolvers when they were captured.

“They were one of ETA’s most active groups, if not the most active one,” Rubalcaba said at a news conference Sunday. “Their destiny is jail.”

He said all three had managed to escape police detection for between six and 18 months

partly by camping in rural areas.

Rubalcaba said Borrero had been active within ETA for four years, Plaza had belonged to the group for six years and there was evidence that Garitagoitia is linked to the murders of two Spaniards: Ignacio Uria and Isaias Carrasco.

Carrasco, 42, a former Socialist councilor, was gunned down in March 2008 in the Basque town of Arrasate as he emerged from his home with his wife and daughter two days before a Spanish general election.

Uria, 71, was part-owner of a construction company involved in projects to build high-speed railways linking the Basque region to the rest of Spain.

The guns found on the suspects were stolen from a store in the southern French town of Vauvert in October 2006, the interior ministry said.

ETA has killed more than 825 people since it launched

a campaign in the late 1960s for an independent Basque homeland straddling the western Pyrenees in northern Spain and southwestern France.

The group declared what it called “a permanent cease-fire” in 2006, but reverted to violence months later after peace talks with the Spanish government went nowhere.

The government of Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero, with the help of French counterparts, has pursued ETA vigorously in recent months with coordinated cross-border police actions and through the courts.

Political organizations linked to ETA, like the banned party Batasuna, have been starved of funding and barred from presenting candidates to regional and European elections.

The European Court of Human Rights recently confirmed a Spanish court ruling that bans Batasuna. □




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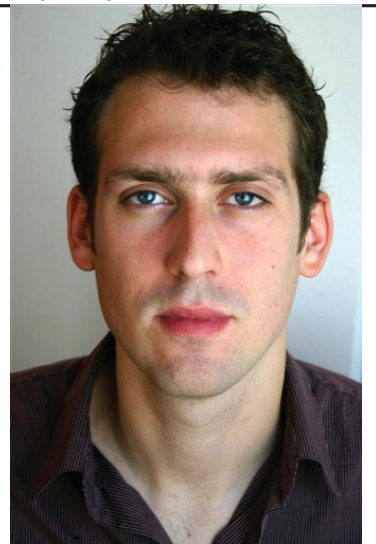
Associated Press Writers

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Iran said Sunday it has released a British-Greek journalist detained for two weeks during its postelection crackdown as opposition forces pressing their claims of fraud called for parliament to dismiss President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad. The freelance reporter for The Washington Times was accused Sunday of “illegal activities” during the protests that followed the June 12 presidential election. He was believed to be the only journalist without Iranian citizenship among the hundreds of journalists, bloggers and activists detained. Greece’s Foreign Ministry confirmed his release and said he would leave Iran “within the day.” The government’s crackdown has quelled days of deadly street unrest, but authorities are still grappling with how to handle the fallout from an election that has exposed divisions in both the streets and in the clerical leadership. The opposition has claimed

widespread election fraud and claims that opposition leader Mir Hossein Mousavi is the true winner, not Ahmadinejad. Iran has released most of those it detained after the election, and authorities are moving ahead with legal action against some of those still in custody, including an Iranian who works at the British Embassy. Iran has sought to cast the outpouring of opposition to Ahmadinejad’s re-election as being led by foreign powers, singling out Britain and accusing its embassy staff of involvement. A week after the last street protest and with the main opposition leader not being seen in public, opposition figures tried Sunday to maintain momentum with a call for parliament to dismiss Ahmadinejad. Ali Reza Beheshti, a close ally of Mousavi, said “people expect their representatives to represent them and not to defend authorities by any means.” “I wish the lawmakers would respect the demands of the majority of their constituents”

and submit a bill disqualifying the president, Beheshti was quoted as saying on a pro-Mousavi Web site called Norooznews. Beheshti is the younger son of Ayatollah Mohammad Hossein Beheshti, one of the main leaders of the 1979 Islamic Revolution and a top judge who was killed in an anti-regime bombing in 1981. The British-trained academic does not wield the influence of some of the clerics who have criticized the election, but a call for the president’s removal is a rarity in Iran and indicates the opposition is remaining firm in the face of increased pressure from the ruling clerics. Iason Athanasiadis, the reporter freed Sunday, had been detained because of “behavior violating the profession of reporting,” Foreign Ministry spokesman Hasan Qashqavi said, according to a report on Iran’s state television. He did not elaborate. Athanasiadis, who has British and Greek citizenship, had entered Iran a previous time

on his British passport and was barred from returning for “violating the law,” the TV report quoted Qashqavi as saying. On this recent trip, he was arrested on or around June 19, a day before the clashes between protesters and security forces reached their peak. Greek Foreign Minister Dora Bakoyannis said: “I am deeply satisfied over the release of Iason Athanasiadis. ... (We were) in constant, close contact with the Iranian Foreign Ministry.” Athanasiadis’ parents, in appealing for his release, called him a reporter, photographer and filmmaker with “a particular love of Iran, and a deep respect for its cultural and religious traditions.” “We are encouraged by reports that Iason has been released and are awaiting confirmation,” said Joel Simon, executive director of the Committee to Protect Journalists. “However, about 20 journalists remain in prison in Iran, and we hope they will be released soon.” Newsweek correspondent



This is an undated handout image from Global Radio News issued on Thursday June 25, 2009 of Global Radio News freelance correspondent and The Washington Times reporter Iason Athanasiadis-Fowden, known as Jason Fowden, who is holds Greek and British dual nationality.

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Maziar Bahari, who has Iranian and Canadian citizenship, is among the journalists still being held. He has been charged with “agitating against the ruling system and acting against national security,” his lawyer Saleh Nikbakht said on Saturday. □

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Federer beats Roddick for record 15th Grand Slam

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WIMBLEDON, England (AP)

— A year ago, Roger Federer left Centre Court a broken man after losing an epic five-set final, his Wimbledon title ripped away and his aura of invincibility shattered.

On Sunday, after another five-set marathon, Federer walked off as the holder of the most prestigious record in tennis, with the winner's trophy and No. 1 ranking back in his grasp and his reputation enhanced as arguably the greatest player of all time.

Federer won his record 15th Grand Slam title, outlasting Andy Roddick for his sixth Wimbledon championship in match that went to 30 games in the final set.

Federer served a career high 50 aces and overcame the resilient American 5-7, 7-



Roger Federer of Switzerland holds the trophy after defeating Andy Roddick of U.S. in their men's final match on the Centre Court at Wimbledon, Sunday, July 5, 2009.

6 (6), 7-6 (5), 3-6, 16-14 to break the record of major titles he shared with Pete Sampras.

"I'm happy I broke the record here because this is always the tournament that meant the most to me," Federer said. "It definitely feels like coming full circle, starting it here and ending it here."

The match finally ended after 4 hours, 16 minutes of play when Federer broke for the first time all day, with Roddick missing badly with a forehand.

Federer jumped high in celebration, punched the air and whacked the net with his racket. Roddick tossed his racket to the side and the two men shared a hug at the net. Federer held up the trophy, kissed it and held it close to his chest.

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Eunjung Yi holds the trophy after winning the Jamie Farr Owens Corning Classic golf tournament Sunday, July 5, 2009, in Sylvania, Ohio. Yi and Morgan Pressel tied at 18-under par and had to play one playoff hole for the win.

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AP Sports Writer

SYLVANIA, Ohio (AP) — Eunjung Yi blew a six-stroke lead then hit a 10-foot birdie putt on the first playoff hole to defeat Morgan Pressel and capture her first LPGA victory Sunday in what might be the final Jamie Farr Owens Corning Classic. The 21-year-old second-year pro began the day with a four-shot lead. She birdied two of the first three holes to go up six shots.

Pressel, chasing her third career victory, pulled even by holing a wedge shot for eagle on the par-5 17th hole.

Yi, from South Korea, finished at 18-under 266 to earn the \$210,000 first prize. She had missed the cut in four of her seven starts this year on tour and her biggest paycheck was just over \$11,000 for finishing tied for 26th at the Corona Championship. Michelle Wie made a back-nine rush to finish at 16-under, tied for third.

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Yi beats Pressel in playoff

Yi closed with an even-par 71 and Pressel had a 67. Wie had a career-best 64 but lost a chance to put extra pressure on the leaders when she misfired while going for the par-5 18th hole in two shots and had to settle for a par.

On the playoff hole, the 18th, both Yi and Pressel drove into the fairway and to the precipice of a steep hill that leads to a creek. Yi's drive flirted with the trees that line the left edge of the fairway. Both hit metal woods short of the green, and both hit wedge to the green.

Pressel hit first and her approach came up short to the back left pin location, ending up on the first cut of rough about 20 feet from the hole. Yi, who lives part of the year in the San Diego area, hit a lower, harder shot that stopped 10 feet away. Pressel's birdie putt held the line and almost fell as it scooted past on the

left edge. She then tapped in for par. After looking over her putt, Yi hit it firmly and — before the ball even settled into the cup — she raised both arms in victory. She was in tears minutes later.

Pressel trailed by four shots as she went to the 16th tee. But Yi three-putted for bogey at the 16th after pulling her drive into the trees and then overshooting the green with her approach. Pressel rolled in a 15-foot birdie putt at the 16th to cut the lead to two strokes.

At the 18th, Pressel had an eagle at the 513-yard, par-5 hole that tied her for the lead.

Top-ranked Lorena Ochoa closed with a 68 and was in the group at 270.

The tournament's contract with its title sponsor, the LPGA and Highland Meadows Golf Club expired after the final round. □

Woods wins his tournament by 1-stroke with a late birdie

BETHESDA, Maryland (AP) — Tiger Woods has won the AT&T National, making a 20-foot birdie on the 16th and closing with a 3-under 67 to hold off Hunter Mahan for a one-shot victory at Congressional.

Woods made it a hat trick of victories in tournaments hosted by PGA Tour stars, this one the most meaningful of all because it was his own.

He closed with a 3-under 67 at the AT&T National on Sunday for his third victory of the year, the others coming at the Arnold Palmer Invitational at Bay Hill and Jack Nicklaus' Memorial Tournament.

The challenge came from a rising star, just not the Californian anyone expected. Mahan made six birdies on the back nine for a 62, tying the course record that Kim had set on Thursday. The final birdie on the 18th gave him a share of the lead, and Mahan had to wait more than an hour to see if Woods could top him.

Woods twice scrambled for par to stay tied for the lead, then looked as though he squandered a good birdie chance on the par-5 16th when his chip from the rough came out heavy and stopped 20 feet from the hole. Backing

off once, he rolled in it, then walked stoically to the hole, nodding his head.

He closed with routine pars to finish at 13-under 267. The 68th victory of his PGA Tour career moved him to the top of the money list and the FedEx Cup standings for the first time this year.

Whether it gives him any momentum will be determined in two weeks at Turnberry.

All three of Woods' victories this year have come in his final start before a major, and he finished four shots behind in both the Masters and the U.S. Open at Bethpage Black two weeks ago.

The next stop is the British Open on a links course Woods has never seen.

As for the golf he played Sunday — that was nothing new. Woods kept mistakes to a minimum. He failed to make par on the 11th hole for the fourth straight round — and took advantage of his birdie chances when he had them.

Kim simply couldn't keep up. It was the ideal final pairing at Congressional — the world's No. 1 player and tournament host tied with Kim, a confident 24-year-old who was the defending champion. Kim dropped four shots in four

holes on the front nine, and didn't make a birdie on the back nine.

He closed with a 71 to finish alone in third, four shots behind.

"I had a lot of fun," Kim said. "I know I'll be knocking on the door again. It's only a matter of time. I learned if you have a birdie putt, you better make it."

Bryce Molder closed with a 68 to finish alone in fourth, which came with a \$288,000 check that was worth more than money alone. It put him atop a special money list that ended Sunday, earning a trip to the British Open. The other spot from the money list went to Paul Goydos.

Brandt Snedeker, finally healthy after a rib injury, had a 68-67 weekend and tied for fifth with U.S. Open champion Lucas Glover. Snedeker also earned a spot at Turnberry as the leading player among the top five not already eligible for the British Open.

Most of the 40,000 fans at Congressional scrambled for a sight of the present and the future — Woods and Kim — until Mahan started dropping in putts from everyone on the back nine.

"I think everybody was



Tiger Woods poses with the trophy after winning the AT&T National golf tournament at Congressional Country Club, Sunday, July 5, 2009, in Bethesda, Md.

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watching AK and Tiger and expecting kind of a battle there, and I knew I just had to go low today," Mahan said. "I figured great players up on the leaderboard like that, I figured they'd make it to at least 13 or 14 under."

He was in the family dining area when he finished, watching with Woods' wife,

Elin, and their 2-year-old daughter, Sam. Woods missed a 10-foot putt on the 14th and Mahan said he jokingly cheered in a light moment.

But he knew better.

"I mean, he's pretty good," Mahan said. "He knows what he's doing. He knows how to play this game better than anybody." □

U.S. routs Grenada 4-0 in Gold Cup

SEATTLE — A young U.S. lineup easily beat up on Grenada in the Americans' opener at the CONCACAF Gold Cup.

"Today is important to start the Gold Cup the right way," U.S. coach Bob Bradley said after Saturday night's 4-0 win. "It was a really good team effort, four different guys scored tonight, so all things are important."

Freddy Adu scored the opening goal in the seventh minute and Stuart Holden doubled the lead in the 31st, both fed by Robbie Rogers. Rogers made it 3-0 in the 60th minute and Charlie Davies, one of the few players kept on from the Confederations Cup, got the final goal in the 68th.

The 12th-ranked Americans, seeking their third straight title in the regional championship of North and Central America and the Caribbean, outshot the No. 88 Spice Boyz 25-3.

Seven of the U.S. starters entered with a combined 11 international appearances, with goalkeeper Troy Perkins playing just his second match for the national team.

Right back Steve Cherundolo, sidelined with a hip injury for most of the past six months, was the only regular starter in the lineup. He was joined by three frequent national team backups: left back Heath Pearce, and Adu and Davies, who got a key goal against Egypt at the Confederations Cup.

"Physically, I felt fine," said Cherundolo, who played 62 minutes. "There's still a little rust that needs to come off, but it was OK. It's always good to get back on the field."

Most regulars were not included in the initial 23-man U.S. roster, allowing them to either take time off before the start of the European season or to return to their Major League Soccer teams. CONCACAF then decided to allow the U.S. to expand its roster by seven, and some of those seven could be called in later in the tournament. The U.S., 22-0-1 in group play in the Gold Cup, next plays Honduras on Wednesday in Washington, D.C. The Americans close the first round against Haiti on July 11 at Foxborough, Mass. □



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Roger Federer of Switzerland, left, holds his trophy and Andy Roddick holds the runners-up plate, after Federer defeated Roddick to win the men's singles championship on the Centre Court at Wimbledon, Sunday, July 5, 2009.

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15TH GRAND SLAM

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Watching from the front row of the Royal Box was Sampras, a seven-time Wimbledon champion who flew in from California to see history made in his first appearance

at the All England Club since playing here for the last time in 2002. Also on hand were Bjorn Borg and Rod Laver.

"It's not really one of those goals you set as a little boy, but man, it's been quite a career and quite a month,"

said Federer, who saved four set points in the second-set tiebreaker to avoid falling behind 2-0 in sets. "It feels amazing, but this is not why I'm playing tennis to break all sort of different records. But it's definitely one of the greatest ones to have."

Turning to Sampras, Federer said: "Thanks very much for coming. I know it's a long way, but you're a member, man, we like to see you here. It's such a pleasure to play in front of such great legends." Roddick said: "Sorry Pete, I tried to hold him off."

The historic impact of the match hit home when Sampras arrived after the third game of the first set. Accompanied by his wife, Bridgette Wilson, he sat next to Spanish great Manolo Santana and a few seats from Laver and Borg. He wore sunglasses, a gray suit and light blue shirt and

tie.

"In a way I still feel like we share (the record) because he was such a wonderful champion," Federer said of Sampras. "He still has one up against me here at Wimbledon. It's nice that he shows appreciation for what I'm doing."

Federer is third player in history to win six Wimbledon championships — Sampras and William Renshaw each won seven.

Sampras considers Federer the greatest ever.

"I have to give it to him," he said. "The critics say Laver, and (Rafael) Nadal has beaten him a few times at majors. He's won all the majors, he's won 15 now, he's going to win a few more here. So in my book he is."

"He's a stud," Sampras added. "He's only 27. He'll contend here for many years, and the U.S. Open, and all the majors. If he just keeps it going and stays healthy, he could go to 18, 19, potentially. The guy, he's a legend. Now he's an icon."

Federer reclaimed the No. 1 ranking he lost last year to Nadal, the Spaniard who beat him in the epic 2008 final that finished in near darkness at 9-7 in the fifth but missed this year's tournament because of knee problems.

"I'm aware that Rafa didn't play here," Federer said. "Injuries are part of the game, unfortunately, but I'm happy I became No. 1 in the world by winning this title because this is the biggest one there is out there. I love playing here."

It was the longest men's Grand Slam final in history at 77 games — breaking the previous record of 71 from 1927 in Australia. It was also the longest fifth set in a men's Grand Slam final in history, surpassing the 20 games from 1927 in France.

The 30-game final set could

have encompassed several sets of play. Federer's straight-set victories in the first and second rounds were each shorter in total number of games than Sunday's decisive set.

The fifth set went back-and-forth with the players slugging huge serves at each other, offering few chances to break. Roddick saved one break point in the second game, and Federer erased two at 8-8 when he came up with two big serves when 15-40 down.

"I was just trying to survive each time and hold serve and give myself a shot," Roddick said. "It didn't work out, but I definitely gave myself a look."

Finally, in the 30th game, serving with Federer ahead 15-14, Roddick blinked. On the second deuce, he mis-hit a forehand to give Federer a chance to secure his place in history. On match point, after a contest featuring so many aces, winners and brilliant shots, Roddick shanked a forehand.


Until then, Federer had been 0-6 on break points.

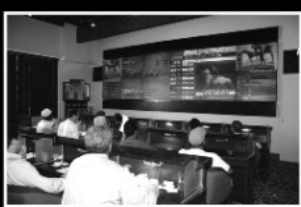
The statistics were eye-catching: Federer's 50 aces were one short of the Wimbledon record held by Ivo Karlovic. Federer had an incredible total of 107 winners, compared with 38 unforced errors. Roddick had 27 aces, 74 winners and 33 unforced mistakes.

Some people were writing off Federer after he lost to Nadal in the Australian Open final and broke down in tears in the trophy ceremony. Federer continued to struggle early in the season before winning the French Open for the first time to complete a career Grand Slam. On Sunday, Federer became the third man in 40 years to win the French Open and Wimbledon in the same year, joining Borg and Nadal.

"This year is crazy," Federer said. □

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British Mark Cavendish from team Columbia-High Road raises his arm after crossing the finish line to win the 6th stage, a 178 km race from Oberriet to Bad Zurzach, at the 73nd Tour de Suisse UCI ProTour cycling race, in Bad Zurzach, Switzerland, Thursday, June 18, 2009.

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Cavendish wins Tour second stage

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BRIGNOLES, France (AP) — Britain's Mark Cavendish won Sunday's second stage of the Tour de France under a searing sun, as Lance Armstrong finished safely in the trailing pack behind a sprint.

Fabian Cancellara of Switzerland retained the race leader's yellow jersey after the 187-kilometer (116.2-mile) trek from Monaco to Brignoles, France, and joked about the hot conditions.

"The heat was like you were baking bread ... it was terrible," Cancellara said on French TV. He recounted how with about an hour left of riding, his team manager said the temperature hit 40 Celsius (104 Fahrenheit). "I haven't seen heat like that in years."

Cavendish clenched his fists and smiled as he crossed the line a split second in front of U.S. rider Tyler Farrar in second and Romain Feillu of France in third. It was the Briton's fifth Tour stage win.

With a solid escort from his Columbia team, Cavendish almost made it look easy.

"I'm glad I could win to just pay them back," he said after clocking 4 hours, 30 minutes, 2 seconds for the course — the same time as all but two of the riders. "It's emotional for me." Cavendish took the green jersey awarded to the Tour's best sprinter. This is his third Tour, but he has never finished, and he said his goal was to win a stage and complete the three-week race.

The 24-year-old native of Isle of Man won three stages in the Giro d'Italia in May, and is proving to be among the world's leading sprint specialists.

Armstrong, pre-race favorite Alberto Contador and other possible title contenders were expected to ride cautiously and to avoid crashes in a nervous peloton.

Asked about how the stage went, seven-time Tour champion Armstrong said simply: "Hot" before a long pause.

"It's hard to hydrate. But you know, it's hot for everybody," he told reporters outside his team bus. Armstrong finished 80th in the stage.

The stage featured four minor climbs along sun-baked hills of Provence, next to the Mediterranean. The layout favored sprinters and breakaway specialists.

Cancellara won Saturday's opening time trial to take the yellow jersey and he leads Contador, who is second, by 18 seconds. Bradley Wiggins is third, 19 seconds back, and Armstrong is 10th overall, 40 seconds back. □

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Zelaya llega a Managua; al menos un muerto en Tegucigalpa

TEGUCIGALPA (AP) - El presidente depuesto de Honduras Manuel Zelaya aterrizó el domingo en Managua después que tropas le impidieran hacerlo en Honduras, obstaculizando la pista de aterrizaje con varios vehículos cuando su aeronave se aproximaba al terminal aéreo.

“Están impidiendo el aterrizaje, amenazando con enviar aviones de la Fuerza Aérea. Hay vehículos metidos dentro de la pista. Han entorpecido el aterrizaje”, dijo el mandatario desde la aeronave a la televisora Telesur, poco después de que el avión de matrícula venezolana YV-1496 sobrevolara el aeropuerto en dos ocasiones para luego perderse de vista.

Adolfo Lionel Sevilla, ministro de Defensa del gobierno de Roberto Micheletti, dijo a la radio Cadena de Noticias que “dejar entrar a Zelaya causaría graves problemas al país, por eso se le impidió hacerlo. La policía tiene órdenes de capturarlo. Si hubiera aterrizado, ya estaría preso”. Zelaya llegó a Managua instantes después que otra aeronave proveniente de Washington aterrizara

en San Salvador con el secretario general de la OEA, José Miguel Insulza, y los presidentes de Argentina y Ecuador. No está claro cuándo Zelaya se reunirá con Insulza y los dos mandatarios en San Salvador.

Mientras Zelaya se encontraba en el aire, fuertes disturbios ocurrieron cuando la policía reprimió a una multitud de manifestantes concentrada en los alrededores del aeropuerto de esta ciudad. Uno de los hombres que intentaba derribar una cerca resultó muerto de una balazo en la cabeza.

Jeffrey Barahona, vocero de Cruz Roja, dijo a AP que el fallecido es “un menor de edad y murió de un disparo”. También señaló que “hay una mujer de 42 años acuchillada y hemos atendido alrededor de 30 más por golpes, lesiones y afectadas por gases lacrimógenos”. El gobierno anunció la extensión del toque de queda desde las 6:30 de la tarde hasta las 5 de la mañana. Miles de seguidores del gobernante depuesto habían llegado al aeropuerto tras participar en una marcha de por lo menos un kilómetro de longitud □



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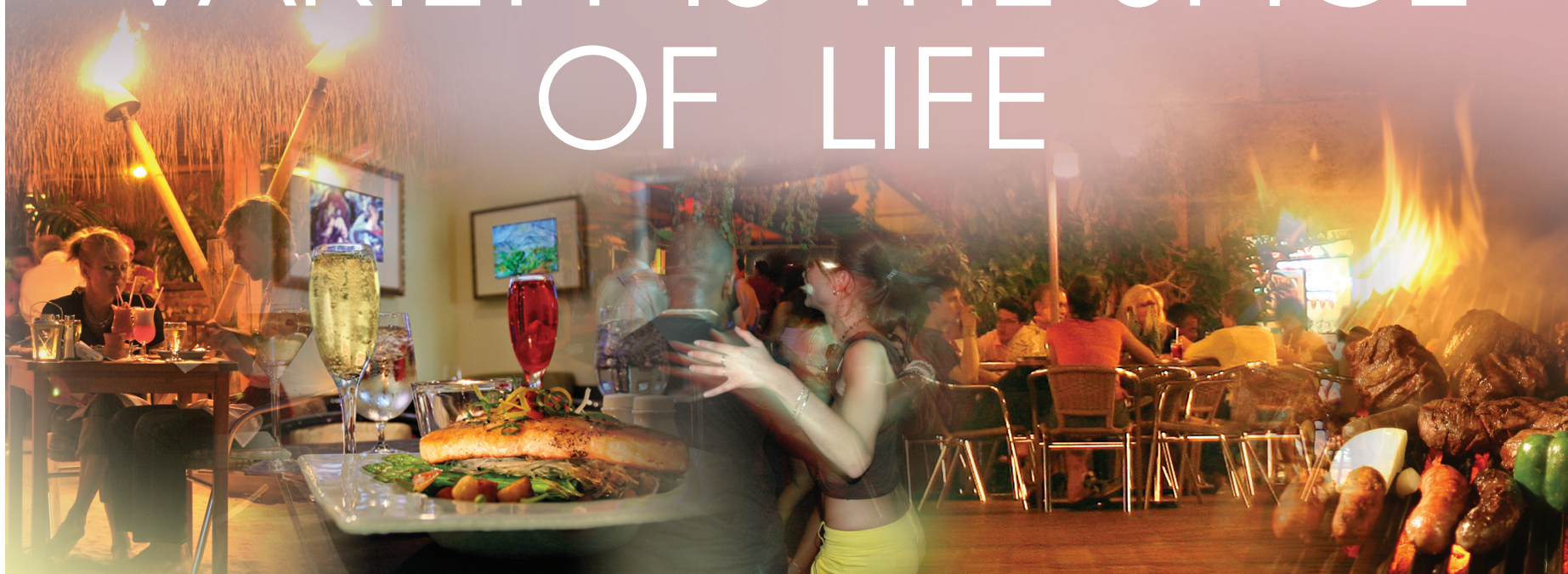
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